the Department of Health and Human Services.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael L. Telson to serve as the Chief Financial Officer for the Department of Energy.

The President announced his intention to nominate Sally Thompson to serve as the Chief Financial Officer for the Department of Agriculture.

The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas J. Umberg to serve as Deputy Director for Supply Reduction at the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

The President announced the nomination of Michael K. Powell as a member of the Federal Communications Commission.

The President announced his intention to designate William E. Kennard to be Chair of the Federal Communications Commission upon his confirmation by the Senate as a member of the FCC.

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The President announced the nomination of Jo Ann Jay Howard as Administrator of the Federal Insurance Administration at the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The President announced his intention to appoint Carol Bonosaro to serve as a member of the National Partnership Council.

## Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

# Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

#### Released August 4

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

List of business leaders participating in climate change meeting

# Released August 5

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

#### Released August 6

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry announcing National Security Adviser Samuel Berger's upcoming visit to China

List of 1997 Presidential news conferences

#### Released August 7

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry on the appointment of Ambassador Joseph C. Wilson IV as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for African Affairs at the National Security Council

#### Released August 8

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

# Acts Approved by the President

#### Approved August 5

H.R. 2015 / Public Law 105–33 Balanced Budget Act of 1997

H.R. 2014 / Public Law 105–34 Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997

H.R. 1226 / Public Law 105–35 Taxpayer Browsing Protection Act

H.R. 709 / Public Law 105–36 National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of 1997

## **Approved August 7**

S. 430 / Public Law 105–37 New Mexico Statehood and Enabling Act Amendments of 1997